HHS Office of Healthcare Quality 2010 Regional Projects for the Prevention of HAIs

Region VIII: State Based Training to Implement Healthcare-Associated Infections Prevention Activities

Key Project Elements:

- Identify communication and training needs and opportunities across this region, which has substantial variability in healthcare-associated infrastructure
- Conduct three training meetings to address these needs and leverage these opportunities

About the Project

States in Region VIII represent a wide variety of HAI capacity including HAI prevention activities and resources available to support these activities. While some states have had longstanding programs in place, others are just beginning to launch HAI prevention programs and still need considerable support to strengthen basic program infrastructure, communications, lab capacity, and data collection systems. Development of state surveillance training competencies through conducting local training for appropriate use of surveillance systems is also essential.

The team will:

- 1) Convene three training meetings for Infection Control Practitioners in Utah, North Dakota, and South Dakota
- 2) Develop training content applicable to the needs in each location, coordinating with those at the state level
- 3) Provide a summary report of each training meeting

For more information

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